



**Government of the District of Columbia**  
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**Mayor's Office on Asian and Pacific Islander Affairs**  
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**UPCOMING OAPIA COMMUNITY NEWS AND MEETINGS FROM  
THE OFFICE ON ASIAN AND PACIFIC ISLANDER AFFAIRS (OAPIA)**

Upcoming Events

OAPIA Events

Events	Organization	Contact	Date, Time & Location
<p><b>Complete your Census form! Click <a href="#">here</a> to learn more about what OAPIA is doing for the Census!</b> It is important for every District resident to participate in the 2010 Census. Taken every 10 years, the Census counts everyone residing in the District of Columbia and throughout the nation. This includes people of all ages, races, ethnic groups, both citizens and non-citizens. The Census affects the allocation of billions of dollars in government funding as well as political representation. It is in our hands to ensure the District has a complete and accurate 2010 Census.</p> <p>The 2010 Census is easy, safe, and important. The Census questionnaire asks only a few questions and only takes a few minutes to complete. The Census Bureau does not release or share information that identifies individual respondents. The Census does not ask for one's legal status or criminal history. The 2010 Census is safe and confidential.</p>	DC Census and OAPIA	Neel.saxena@dc.gov	Ongoing
<p><b>DOES Summer Youth Employment Program</b> SYEP provides an array of summer enrichment experiences in industries such as Arts, Design and Media; Building and Grounds Maintenance; Government; Community and Social Services; Construction Trades; Education, Training and Library Science; Health Care Support; Hospitality and Tourism; Office and Administration Support; and Sports and Physical Education. This short-term employment and training program provides thousands of District youth, ages 14 to 21, with an opportunity to gain practical experience</p>	Department of Employment Services (DOES)	<p><a href="#">Click here to apply!</a> DC Department of Employment Services Office of Youth Programs (202) 698-3492 or 311</p>	Deadline: Mid April

and be compensated. Youth participants are paid the federal minimum wage.			
<p><b>Case Assistance Clinics</b> - The Mayor's Office on Asian and Pacific Islander Affairs (OAPIA) will initiate Case Assistance Clinics. OAPIA will assist the District's Asian and Pacific Islander (API) individuals, families, and small business owners who have trouble navigating DC government services due to language barriers.</p> <p>The clinics will be held each Wednesday at OAPIA, and some Thursday's at locations easily accessible to the API community. Mandarin, Cantonese, Korean and Vietnamese interpretation will be available at all locations.</p>	OAPIA	202-727-3120	<p><b>Wednesday, April 21</b>  <b>1-4-pm</b>  Location: OAPIA  441 4<sup>th</sup> Street, NW Suite 721N</p>
<b>SAVE THE DATE! Asian and Pacific Islander American Heritage Month Celebration!</b>	OAPIA		<b>Tuesday, May 18<sup>th</sup>, 2010</b> <b>7-8:45pm</b>
<p><b>AILA D.C. Chapter Citizenship Day, 2010</b></p> <p>This work shop will provide assistance to residents of Washington, DC, Virginia and Maryland eligible for naturalization.</p> <p>Offered at four locations, Citizenship Day 2010 will be staffed by volunteer immigration attorneys, paralegals, interpreters and other community members who will prepare naturalization applications. Applicants will be able to consult with professionals and ensure that their documentation is complete.</p> <p>Each year, hundreds of thousands of immigrants, from all corners of the globe, embrace the ideals of freedom and democracy and become United States citizens.</p>	Washington DC Chapter of the American Immigration Lawyers Association (AILA)	<p>Phone: Please call Sheila Starkey Hahn at (301) 299-7760  Email: sstarkey@mlsimmigration.com</p> <p>For more information please visit:  ailaDCcitizenshipday2010.law.officelive.com</p>	<p><b>April 17<sup>th</sup></b> (10AM-2PM)</p> <p><b>April 24<sup>th</sup></b> (10AM-2PM)</p> <p>Dates and venues:  ailaDCcitizenshipday2010.law.officelive.com</p>
<p><b>Meet-up for Conversations Community Event</b></p> <p>Free monthly community networking event. Asians and non-Asians are welcomed (self-pay for lunch). This is an opportunity to meet business owners, community builders, consultants, bankers, etc.</p>	Allies Building Community, Inc. (ABC) and Archway Network <a href="http://www.archway2.org">www.archway2.org</a>	<p>Diane Tai  Phone: 202-338-4339 or 202-625-2244  Email: <a href="mailto:abcallies@gmail.com">abcallies@gmail.com</a> or <a href="mailto:organizer10@gmail.com">organizer10@gmail.com</a></p> <p>RSVP:  <a href="http://www.meetup.com/networking/">http://www.meetup.com/networking/</a>  <a href="http://www.meetup.com/AsianAmericans/">http://www.meetup.com/AsianAmericans/</a>  <a href="http://www.meetup.com/ChineseAmericans/">http://www.meetup.com/ChineseAmericans/</a></p>	<p>On 3<sup>rd</sup> Sundays of month</p> <p><b>Next: April 18</b></p> <p>Time: 12:30PM – 3:00PM</p> <p>Upcoming: May 16, June 20, July 18, Aug.15, Sept.19, Oct.17, Nov. 21, Dec.19, 2010</p> <p>Location: Burma Restaurant  740 6<sup>th</sup> St. NW 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor  Washington, DC 20001</p>
<b>CHAI Women's Wellness Group</b> CHAI Invites South Asian Women to a dynamic and confidential group. Topics include relationships, family, women's roles, career, marriage, anger and conflict resolution, taboos & secrets, and other topics relevant to South Asian women.	Counselors Helping (South) Asians, Inc, (CHAI)  <a href="http://www.chaicounselors.org">www.chaicounselors.org</a>	<p>Phone: 443-615-1355  Fax:  Email: <a href="mailto:raziakosi@chaicounselors.org">raziakosi@chaicounselors.org</a></p>	<p>Sundays :<b>April 18<sup>th</sup>, 25<sup>th</sup></b>, May 2<sup>nd</sup></p> <p>Time: 3-4:30pm</p>

			<p>Location: Maryland Non Profits – 8720 Georgia Ave. Ste. 303</p> <p>Silver Spring, MD 20910 Red Line Metro Silver Spring stop</p>
<p><b>AARP International Affairs Department</b> presents an Idea Exchange: “Growing Old Before Growing Rich: The Implications of Rapid Population Aging in China”</p> <p>Presentations and Q&amp;A followed by buffet lunch</p> <p>Speakers: Richard Jackson, Director of the Global Aging Initiative at the Center for Strategic and International Studies Wang Xiao Yan, Director, Community Alliance</p> <p>Program Description: This topic of this Idea Exchange will be the long run implications of demographic change in China and what it means for China’s place in the world as well as what it means for the US. Through the remarks and discussion, we want to address the coming labor shortage, gender imbalance, and other impacts of aging in China.</p> <p>Mr. Jackson will give long-term overview and economic outlook, retirement security. Will talk about demographics thrown into reverse and the old-age dependency ration. Will set up the challenge of demographic change and unmet needs (pension problem just tip of iceberg).</p> <p>Ms. Wang will then speak about the specifics that challenge: eldercare, LTC, HCBC, changing family/social structures, specific gov’t policies, etc.</p>	AARP	<a href="mailto:ddancr88@brandeis.edu">ddancr88@brandeis.edu</a>	<p><b>Tuesday, April 20</b></p> <p>Time: 9:30-1:00 PM</p> <p>Location: AARP Brickfield Center</p>
<b>National Japanese Memorial Foundation April Reception honoring the Navajo Code Talkers</b>	<p>National Japanese American Memorial Foundation</p> <p><a href="http://www.njamf.com">www.njamf.com</a></p>	<p>Kris Ikejiri, Interim Executive Director</p> <p>Phone: 202-530-0015 Fax: 202-463-8998 Email: <a href="mailto:info@njamf.org">info@njamf.org</a></p>	<p><b>Monday, April 26, 2010</b></p> <p>Time: 6:30 – 8:30pm</p> <p>Location: National Museum of the American Indian 4<sup>th</sup> and Independence Aves., SW</p>
<p><b>5th Annual National Asian Heritage Festival</b></p> <p>The National Asian Heritage Festival-Fiesta Asia is back again for 2010 in its 5th year! Multiple programs and activities has been planned to commemorate Asian Heritage Month including Performing Arts Showcase, Movie Marathon, Concerts and many more. We are still accepting Sponsors, Partners, Vendors, Performers, &amp; Volunteers. Check out the full May Calendar on our website at</p>	<p>Asia Heritage Foundation <a href="http://www.asiaheritagefoundation.org">www.asiaheritagefoundation.org</a></p>	<p>Phone: 202-470-0899 Fax: 703-920-0620 Email: <a href="mailto:info@asiaheritagefoundation.org">info@asiaheritagefoundation.org</a></p>	<b>May, 2010</b>

<a href="http://www.asiaheritagefoundation.org">www.asiaheritagefoundation.org</a> or contact us at <a href="mailto:info@asiaheritagefoundation.org">info@asiaheritagefoundation.org</a> / 202-470-0899 ! We look forward to you joining us!			
<b>John Trasviña, Assistant Secretary for Fair Housing and Equal Opportunity invites you to a</b>  Listening Meeting on Asian American and Pacific Islanders' Fair Housing Needs	The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development Office of Fair Housing and Equal Opportunity		<b>Wednesday, May 5, 2010</b>  Time: 1:00 pm to 3:00 pm  Location: Room C, Brooke-Mondale Auditorium Robert Weaver Building 451 – 7 <sup>th</sup> Street, SW Washington, DC 20410
<b>Happy Hour at Eye Bar!</b> Our happy hour will benefit MVMA's (Maryland Vietnamese Mutual Association) GAPS (Golden Age Project for Seniors) program <a href="http://www.mdvietmutu">http://www.mdvietmutu</a> , a program which helps seniors navigate resources provided by the government. MVMA's mission overall is to serve, support, and advance the Vietnamese American community. Suggested \$5 or \$10 donation. DJ Saam will be spinning loungy groovy beats for us. Our happy hours typically bring out 150 - 200 folks... and I wouldn't be surprised with a similar turnout this time around. <u>Please note 80% of donations go to the MVMA and 20% of donations will go to the 20s &amp; 30s Asian Going Out Group to cover Meetup fees and expenses.</u>	20s and 30s Asian group	20sand30sasiangroup.com	<b>Thursday, May 6</b>  Time: 6pm  Location: Eyebar 1716 I Street NW, DC Farragut West Metro
<b>THE WONDERFUL WORLD OF ALOHA</b> A cultural presentation featuring the music & dances of Hawai'i & Samoa  Enjoy pre-show Hawaiian music, local hors d'oeuvres, raffle & silent auction	Halau O 'Aulani <a href="http://www.halauoaulani.org">www.halauoaulani.org</a>	Shirley Queja 301-919-7905 <a href="mailto:squeja@halauoaulani.org">squeja@halauoaulani.org</a> or <a href="mailto:halauoaulani@yahoo.com">halauoaulani@yahoo.com</a>  Admission by ticket only. Discounted early bird tickets available before March 1.	<b>Saturday, May 8, 2010</b>  Time: 12:30 p.m.-4:30 p.m. 2:00 p.m. Performance  Location: Thomas Jefferson Theatre 125 S. Old Glebe Road Arlington, VA 22204
<b>Get a Free Hepatitis B Vaccination</b> Fortunately, HBV can be prevented with a very safe and effective vaccine. The Hepatitis B vaccine series is usually given as 3 shots during a 6-month period. The entire series is needed for long-term protection.	Dr.Mark-Li Chinese American Medical Society  Chinatown Service Center  Hepatitis B Initiative of Washington, DC	Lisa Ma: 202-898-0061 <a href="mailto:coordinator@chinatownscdc.org">coordinator@chinatownscdc.org</a>  Jane Pan 571-274-0021 <a href="mailto:j.pan@hepbinitiative.org">j.pan@hepbinitiative.org</a>	<b>Sunday, May 10, 2010</b>  Time: 12:30-3pm  Location: Chinese Community Church 500 I (Eye) Street, NW
<b>APAICS REMINDS YOU TO SAVE THE DATE</b> for their 16 <sup>TH</sup> Annual Gala Dinner	Asian Pacific American Institute for Congressional Studies (APAICS)	<a href="http://www.apaics.org">www.apaics.org</a>	<b>Tuesday, May 11, 2010</b>  JW Marriott Hotel Washington, DC

<p><b>THE DC Children and youth with Special Health Care Needs Symposium SAVE THE DATE: May 19<sup>th</sup>!</b></p> <p>We need your knowledge and care to improve services for children and youth with special health care needs (CYSHCN) and their families in the District of Columbia! Join other healthcare providers, families nad youth, and DC agency staff for a one-day symposium to: learn what families and your colleagues have told us about how to improve the system; helap shape the DC plan for serving CYSHCN; create action teams to make a difference in DC!</p>	<p>DC Department of Health</p>	<p>Syreeta Elie:  <a href="mailto:sme27@georgetown.edu">sme27@georgetown.edu</a>  or call (202) 687-8807</p>	<p><b>Wednesday, May 19<sup>th</sup></b></p> <p>Location:  L'Enfant Plaza Hotel  480 L'Enfant Plaza SW  Washington, DC 20024-2253  (202) 554-0478  <a href="http://www.lenfantplazahotel.com">www.lenfantplazahotel.com</a></p> <p>Metro accessible from  yellow/green and blue/orange  lines</p> <p>Breakfast + lunch will be  served</p>
<p><b>CALVIN W. ROLARK INTERGENERATIONAL POSTER CONTEST</b></p> <p>THEME: "Young and Old Living and Learning Together"</p> <p>ELIGIBILITY: Students in Grades 1-12, D.C. Public/Charter Schools, Elementary, Junior, Middle and High Schools</p> <p>SUBMISSION GUIDELINES AND CHECK LIST ✓</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Use illustration poster board or heavy paper that is 14 x 18 inches.</li> <li>• Painting, drawing, photography, collage or any two-dimensional medium or combination of media is acceptable.</li> <li>• Use color or black and white.</li> <li>• Research- Go to your libraries, websites: Office on Aging, Generations United, AARP and other research sources.</li> <li>• Interview-talk with senior citizens and others about their living and learning together.</li> <li>• Attach the following info to the back of each poster: student's name, grade, home address, telephone number, teachers name &amp; school name.</li> <li>• Deliver submission to: DC Commission on Aging, 441 4th Street, NW, Suite 900 South, Washington D.C. 20001 by May 21, 2010.</li> </ul> <p>JUDGING</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Entries will be judged on originality of design, artistic merit, and proper use of language that depicts seniors in a positive way.</li> <li>• Following specific guidelines – Size 14" X 18" and remember to put the theme on the front of your poster. The decision of the judges is final.</li> </ul>	<p>DC Commission on Aging  The United Black Fund</p>	<p>For more information or questions, please call (202) 727-8370</p>	<p><b>Deadline: May 21, 2010</b></p>

<p>WINNERS</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Winners will receive a Cash Award</li> <li>Winners selected in each category (Grades 1-5, 6-8, and 9 -12)</li> <li>Certificate of Participation will be given to all contestants.</li> </ul>			
<p><b>FIESTA ASIA STREET FAIR</b> Our Signature Celebration – the Fiesta Asia Street Fair is scheduled for May 22nd, from 10:00 AM to 7:00 PM at Pennsylvania Avenue NW, between 3rd &amp; 6th Streets. Fiesta Asia Street Fair happenings include outdoor craft exhibits, live performances, food and open market vendors, interactive displays, martial arts demonstration, talent show, cooking demo, flash mob dancing and many more! Come out and join us for a full day of fun &amp; entertainment!</p>	<p>Asia Heritage Foundation <a href="http://www.asiaheritagefoundation.org">www.asiaheritagefoundation.org</a></p>	<p>Phone: 202-470-0899 Fax: 703-920-0620 Email: <a href="mailto:info@asiaheritagefoundation.org">info@asiaheritagefoundation.org</a></p>	<p><b>May 22, 2010</b>  Time: 10:00AM- 7:00PM</p>
<p><b>FIESTA ASIA BOLLYWOOD Flash Mob Dance - Led by Dhoonya Dance!</b> We are looking for <b>300 or more people to do a Bollywood number Flash Mob Dance Street Style on Pennsylvania Ave on May 22<sup>nd</sup> at 1pm at Fiesta Asia Street Fair! All ages welcome!</b> All you have to do to participate is to have your students/members learn the routine which we uploaded online (with 6 separate mini segment instructions) and come out on May 22<sup>nd</sup> to join us. Your school/team/name will be featured on our website's <b>Fiesta Asia Bollywood Flash Mob Hall of Fame</b> for this unique event! <b>HELP US MEET THE TARGET of 300 people and be a part of a well loved Asian dance sensation!</b> See video at: <a href="http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=327_EIAZlwY">http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=327_EIAZlwY</a> or visit <a href="http://www.asiaheritagefoundation.org">www.asiaheritagefoundation.org</a> for more info!</p>	<p>Asia Heritage Foundation <a href="http://www.asiaheritagefoundation.org">www.asiaheritagefoundation.org</a></p>	<p>Phone: 202-470-0899 Fax: 703-920-0620 Email: <a href="mailto:info@asiaheritagefoundation.org">info@asiaheritagefoundation.org</a></p>	<p><b>Ongoing till May 22,2010</b></p>
<p><b>APAICS 2nd Annual Golf Classic</b></p>	<p>Asian Pacific American Institute for Congressional Studies (APAICS)</p>	<p>Contact: Helen Ruggiero 202 296-9200 <a href="http://www.apaics.org">www.apaics.org</a> Fax: 202 296-9236 apaics@apaics.org</p>	<p><b>Monday, June 28</b>  Time: 8:30 am Breakfast and Shot gun Start Follows  Location: Army Navy Club Golf Course Arlington, Virginia</p>

**ONGOING EVENT OR COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

- H1N1 Flu**  
**You and the H1N1 flu vaccine.** 2009 H1N1 flu vaccine is given in two ways.  
a. English version [http://www.cdc.gov/flu/freeresources/2009-10/pdf/h1n1\\_safety\\_flyer.pdf](http://www.cdc.gov/flu/freeresources/2009-10/pdf/h1n1_safety_flyer.pdf)  
b. Spanish Version [http://www.cdc.gov/flu/freeresources/2009-10/pdf/h1n1\\_safety\\_flyer\\_sp.pdf](http://www.cdc.gov/flu/freeresources/2009-10/pdf/h1n1_safety_flyer_sp.pdf)

We encourage you to visit [Flu.gov](http://Flu.gov) for [more free resources](#) and [one-page handouts](#) available in English, Spanish, Chinese, Arabic, French, German, Italian, Korean, Russian, Tagalog, and Vietnamese.



- **ANNOUNCEMENT:**
- **HERITAGE STORY WALL PROJECT HONORING SENIORS- Send us your story and wisdom!**  
Seniors are one of our community's most precious wealth & resource. In commemoration of our 5th annual Asian Heritage Festival celebration, we are launching the heritage story wall project to honor our seniors for their determination & journey by presenting their story, wisdom & heritage. We would like your help in gathering these stories from your community, family and friends! All you have to do is visit [www.asiaheritagefoundation.org](http://www.asiaheritagefoundation.org) and send us your story and photo(optional). If you have a large community of seniors, we would be more than happy to come to your location to do a story gathering outreach session. Please help us uncover the amazing individuals and stories in our community! Email: [info@asiaheritagefoundation.org](mailto:info@asiaheritagefoundation.org). Ongoing till May 7
- **The U.S. Department of Justice (DOJ), Office of Justice Programs (OJP), Office for Victims of Crime (OVC),** is pleased to announce that it is seeking applications for funding of the Fiscal Year (FY) 2010 Public Awareness and Outreach for Victims in Underserved Communities program. This program furthers the Department's mission by enhancing typically underserved persons' knowledge about crime victims' rights and access to crime victims' services and resources. For more information, click [here](#).

#### **OVC FY 10 Public Awareness and Outreach for Victims in Underserved Communities**

**Eligibility-** Applicants are limited to private nonprofit organizations, including faith-based and community-based organizations, tribal organizations, or public agencies that can demonstrate: (1) knowledge and understanding of the victimization issue or issues to be highlighted in the public awareness campaign; (2) experience in the provision of victim services and advocacy; and, (3) staff resources and capability to carry out all activities required by the funded project. (See "Who is Eligible to Apply," page 3)

**Deadline** - Registration with OJP's Grants Management System (GMS) is required prior to application submission. (See "How To Apply," page 7)  
All applications are due by 8:00 p.m. eastern time on May 18, 2010. (See "Deadlines: Registration and Application," page 3)

#### **Contact Information**

For technical assistance with submitting the application, contact the Grants Management System Support Hotline at 1-888-549-9901, option 3, or via e-mail to [GMSHelpDesk@usdoj.gov](mailto:GMSHelpDesk@usdoj.gov).

**Note:** The GMS Support Hotline hours of operation are Monday-Friday from 6:00 a.m. to midnight eastern time, except federal holidays.

- For assistance with any other requirement of this solicitation, contact Millicent Crawford, Victim Justice Program Specialist, at 202-353-8172 or by e-mail [Millicent.Crawford@usdoj.gov](mailto:Millicent.Crawford@usdoj.gov).
- The Animal Disease Prevention Division of the Department of Health is once again planning for another set of free vaccination clinics to the resident's cats and dogs starting May 1 through June 5 at every Ward in the District of Columbia. Please see attached flyer.

The free vaccination clinic is an outreach program that allows the Department of Health to educate our community with information regarding responsible pet ownership (scooping dog poop, leash law, etc.), reporting animal bites, West Nile Virus, rabies prevention, etc. We will also promote our flyers on Emergency Preparedness, Rabies, Biting Dogs, and Love your Dog to increase compliance with vaccination and licensing laws (per DC Official Code 8-1804 (b)). Pet owners will be encouraged to purchase dog licenses during the vaccination clinics, the cost of DC dog licenses \$15.00 for altered (spayed or neutered) dogs, and \$50.00 for dogs that are not altered. The vaccination clinics are greatly needed in our community.

- **The \$100,000 Business Plan Competition Kick-Off Event**

(Washington, DC) - The Office of the Deputy Mayor and the Washington, DC Economic Partnership (WDCEP) in collaboration with Advantage Capital Partners and Enhanced Capital Partners will kick off its \$100,000 Business Plan Competition on April 6 from 6:00-8:00pm at the Washington, DC Economic Partnership's office located at 1495 F Street, NW.

In its second year, this competition will award \$100,000 of investment capital through the District's Certified Capital Companies ("CAPCO") Program to one winner. In addition to the investment capital, the winner will also receive \$10,000 worth of legal consultation from Venable LLP.

“The goal of this year’s business plan competition is to encourage entrepreneurship, innovation, and job creation within the District,” said Valerie-Joy Santos, Deputy Mayor for planning and economic development for the District of Columbia and co-chair of the Washington, DC Economic Partnership. “The District offers a unique competitive advantage for businesses that leverage proximity to the federal government.”

“Through the CAPCO Program, the District has developed an effective way to bring venture capital to businesses that are further along the risk curve than banks traditionally serve,” said Ben Dupuy, President of the DC Coalition for Capital and Partner at The Cypress Group. “The Business Plan Competition is an exciting way to make entrepreneurs aware of the District’s small business venture capital program.”

“DC is the perfect place to start a technology or green energy company given its proximity to public and private capital and the commitment of the DC government,” said Mac Brown, CEO of GreenlightAC, a CAPCO investment which provides electric car charging stations.

The competition’s qualifying process includes a written application and finalists will be asked to present their plan before a panel of judges. Evaluation of the plans will focus on the business’s strengths in four areas: management team, financials, competitive opportunity and the extent to which the business capitalizes on the District’s unique status as home to the federal government.

The competition is open to new or existing businesses, with preference given to those that capitalize on opportunities created by the District’s proximity to the federal government. The competition welcomes eligible applicants worldwide, though establishment of a District location by August 28, 2010 is required.

Businesses are encouraged to [apply online](#). Completed applications should be submitted to the Washington, DC Economic Partnership (1495 F Street, NW, Washington DC, 20004) by **June 10, 2010**.

#### **About the District’s CAPCO Program**

The District’s Certified Capital Company (CAPCO) Program is a successful effort by the District of Columbia to increase private-sector venture capital investment in new or expanding small businesses. The CAPCO model combines private-sector expertise in identifying, evaluating, and financing businesses with the District’s interest in access to capital for small businesses and a stronger local economy. The District’s CAPCO investment funds – which are managed by professional venture capitalists – stimulate the creation of jobs and provide an incentive to retain, expand, and attract a wide range of businesses. Since the enactment of the District’s CAPCO Program, over \$25 million in investment capital had been deployed into District small businesses. To learn more about the District’s CAPCO Program, go to [dccapco.com](#).

- **Multicultural Community Service (MCS) Community Interpreter Training Program.** Are you bilingual? Do you interpret or translate for family or friends? Do you already have interpreting skills and want to make it your profession? If so, this program is for you! Topics that are covered in the classes: types of interpretation, including telephonic interpretation; short-term memory development drills and public speaking skills; ethics of interpreting: national codes of ethics; interpreting skills: preparation, introduction, disclosure, accuracy, completeness, register, intervention, clarification, closing and reporting; how culture influences communication; role playing, small group exercises, and case studies; not taking training session. The Training Program includes: 60-hour intensive interpreter training program; a required 10- hour assigned internship to build on learned skills with the guidance of a master interpreter; certificate of completion for 70 hours of the Community Interpreter Training Program; Benefit of referrals by the MCS Language Service Program and freelancing opportunities. Trainings are from May 17-June 17, 3 nights per week with one Saturday session, 5:30-9:00pm in DC (TBD). To apply: Request an application form by contacting Rosa Carrillo at (202) 299-9477 or [rcarrillo@mcsdc.org](mailto:rcarrillo@mcsdc.org); Email your resume to Rosa Carrillo at [rcarrillo@mcsdc.org](mailto:rcarrillo@mcsdc.org) or fax to (202) 299-9207. For more info, visit [www.mcsdc.org](http://www.mcsdc.org)
- The **Asian Pacific American Connections program at the 2010 Smithsonian Folklife Festival** will focus on what it means to be a person of Asian descent living in the United States today and examine strategies for adaptation. If you want to learn more about the program , please click on: [http://www.festival.si.edu/2010/apa/asian\\_pacific\\_american\\_connections.aspx](http://www.festival.si.edu/2010/apa/asian_pacific_american_connections.aspx)
- **Chinatown Community Cultural Center (CCCC) Classes/workshops:** Free Children’s Kung Fu Lessons provided by Wong People. Sundays at 3pm, and Tuesdays and Thursday s at 7pm. CCCC also offers classes in Tai Chi, Kung Fu, Chinese Brush Painting, ESL, Basic Computing, Chinese Language, Gu-Zheng, Chinese Calligraphy and more! For more information check out their website at [www.ccccdc.org](http://www.ccccdc.org).



## EMPLOYMENT of VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES:

- **Employment opportunities with the District of Columbia Government can be found [here](#).**
- **Census Jobs**  
To find jobs with the United States Census 2010 call the toll free number 1-866-861-2010  
Good pay. Temporary, part-time jobs, Flexible hours, up to 40 hours a week, Mileage reimbursement (for field jobs).
- **2010 Summer Youth Employment Program (SYEP) – [www.summerjobs.dc.gov](http://www.summerjobs.dc.gov)** – Applicants must be 14-21 years old, DC residents, and eligible to work in the U.S.
- **Medical Escorts/Translators for Chinese seniors needed-** The Emmaus Services for the Aging Asian and Pacific Islander Senior Center located in Chinatown is looking for bilingual speakers to accompany seniors with limited English ability to their medical appointments in the DC area. We are looking for translators who can speak Mandarin or Cantonese. Volunteers will be compensated \$20 for each trip. If interested, please email Cecilia Ng at [cng@emmausservices.org](mailto:cng@emmausservices.org) or call 202-842-2559. Thank you for your interest and support!
- **APAICS 2010-2011 FELLOWSHIP PROGRAMS**  
Washington, D.C. -- The Asian Pacific American Institute for Congressional Studies (APAICS) announced that Fellowship applications are available on their Website: [www.apaics.org](http://www.apaics.org). The APAICS Fellows are the Anheuser-Busch/Congressman Frank Horton Fellow, the Wal-Mart Stores, Inc./Governor George R. Ariyoshi Fellow and the National Association of Realtors (NAR) Fellow. The latter fellowship is for a post graduate and requires that the person has included in their class studies any housing policies, urban planning, mortgages, etc. **The deadline for all fellowships is April 30, 2010.**

The nine-month program provides an opportunity for APAICS Fellows to be placed in either the Executive or Legislative Branches of government as well as federal agencies, or a non-profit organization in the Washington area. The fellows will be assigned specific projects in their placement offices. The NAR Fellow will be placed in an office that specifically has some housing issues which he/she will have an opportunity to work on. As in the past, NAR advisors and Realtor members will work closely with the NAR Fellow on specific projects and may join with other NAR Fellows from the Congressional Black Caucus Foundation (CBCF) and the Congressional Hispanic Institute Caucus (CHCI) in developing a public policy brief.

The current APAICS Fellows are assigned as follows: Meina Banh/Congressman Mike Honda; Anna Chu/Democratic Caucus; and Collin Siu/Congressman Al Green. Both Banh and Siu are working with members of the Congressional Asian Pacific American Caucus (CAPAC). The current chair is Congressman Mike Honda.

“The APAICS Fellowship Program is an excellent opportunity for API young leaders to gain insight into congressional processes. Not only is it a great way to network, one gets to work on relevant policy issues,” said APAICS 2009-2010 Fellow Meina Banh. (Pictured here with Congressman Honda.)

### **About APAICS**

APAICS was founded in 1994 and is a 501 (c)(3), non-profit, non-partisan, educational organization based in Washington, D.C., that seeks to build a politically empowered Asian Pacific American (APA) community to fill the political pipeline for APAs to enter and advance into elected office. APAICS is also a resource to Congress about the APA community.

- **Office on Asian and Pacific Islander Affairs Seeks Fall & Winter Interns**

The Mayor’s Office on Asian and Pacific Islander Affairs (OAPIA) is seeking motivated individuals interested in public service and the Asian Pacific Islander (API) community. Interns will gain valuable experience by working on projects serving the needs of the API communities and organizations in the District and will acquire vast knowledge about the District’s various government agencies and functions. The interns will receive a worthwhile opportunity to grow, cultivate new ideas, and play a contributing role in District activities!

**Language Access Intern** - The intern will focus on language access related work in the office and issues affecting the Asian and Pacific Islander communities. OAPIA is tasked with providing technical assistance to over 25 District Agencies on language access. The intern will assist the Language Access Coordinator in implementing the Act. Some of the duties of the intern will include conducting an assessment of agency frontline centers, research best practices by municipal governments in providing linguistically and culturally appropriate services to the Asian and Pacific Islander community and further develop a network of governments, and creating reference manuals for District agencies on the API community.

**Outreach Intern** - The intern will work closely with the Outreach Team in serving the API population in the District. Duties include 1) assisting outreach coordinators with different outreach projects and activities; 2) visiting community based organizations, residents, and business owners; 3) providing case assistance to District residents & merchants, 4) occasional simple translations; and 5) handling administrative tasks. Being bilingual in English and Korean, Vietnamese, Mandarin, or Cantonese are required.

### **Qualifications**

Applicants should be undergraduate or graduate students who possess strong written and oral communication skills as well as organizational abilities. They must be flexible and willing to take initiative. Strong computer and research skills are also desired. The intern should be able to work a minimum of 10 weeks for at least 20 hours per week. Most importantly, applicants must be able to work with diverse populations.

To apply, please email a resume, cover letter detailing your suitability for the position, and contact information to:

**Elliot Lee, Outreach Specialist**

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